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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: SRF-5J

Mr. Johnny W. Reising  
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Subject: Technical Review of Final "Sewage Treatment Plant Complex  
Implementation Plan for Above-Grade Decontamination and  
Dismantlement"

Dear Mr. Reising:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has reviewed the above-referenced document as part of its oversight activities for Operable Unit 3 at the Fernald Environmental Management Project. The document, which is dated July, 1998, was received by U.S. EPA on August 18, 1998, and was prepared by Flour Daniel Fernald for the U.S. Department of Energy (U.S. DOE). The document incorporates: 1) U.S. DOE's responses to U.S. EPA comments on the draft "Sewage Treatment Plant Complex Implementation Plan for Above-Grade Decontamination and Dismantlement" and 2) comment responses discussed during a June 23, 1998, conference call.

U.S. EPA's review focused on assessing whether U.S. DOE's responses to U.S. EPA comments have been properly incorporated into the final implementation plan. U.S. EPA's review indicates the U.S. DOE's responses have been properly incorporated and therefore approves the implementation plan. U.S. EPA had previously provided a conditional approval of the implementation plan in a letter dated June 25, 1998. Please contact me at (312) 886-4591 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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